Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 22 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Wednesday 23 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Monday 21 Dec 2020 at 16:15 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High generally but low regarding timing of rain and snow on Friday.

Headline for Tuesday 22 Dec 2020: A mostly dry day with sunny spells in the east, broken cloud and a few light wintry showers in the west. Strong westerly breeze.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 22 Dec 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	30%	20%	20%	20%	30%	10%	10%

Forecast for Tuesday 22 Dec 2020

Weather: Mainly dry with clear or sunny spells in the east of the area towards Cromdale and Strathdon. Occasional light showers in the west, mainly around Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder, falling as snow above about 600-700m.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% - summits in the east staying clear but occasional cloud on higher western peaks.

Visibility: Very good away from cloud and showers, with only temporary reductions in showers

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	38/50 W	37/48 W	32/42 W	28/37 W	27/36 W	25/33 W	21/27 W	19/24 W	16/21 NW
900	31/38 SW	30/37 W	27/33 W	25/31 SW	24/30 SW	21/26 SW	17/21 SW	14/18 W	11/13 W
600	20/27 SW	20/27 SW	18/25 SW	17/24 SW	17/24 SW	14/21 SW	12/16 SW	9/12 SW	6/9 W
300	6/19 SW	9/22 SW	7/20 SW	8/20 SW	9/21 SW	7/18 SW	5/14 SW	3/11 SW	2/8 SW
Glen	4/22 SW	5/25 W	5/22 W	5/21 SW	5/20 SW	4/16 SW	5/15 SW	4/13 W	5/11 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-14	-4/-14	-4/-14	-4/-13	-4/-13	-4/-12	-4/-12	-4/-12	-5/-12
900	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-8	-1/-8	-1/-7	-1/-7	-2/-6
600	1/-5	2/-4	2/-4	1/-4	1/-4	1/-4	1/-4	1/-3	0/-2
300	2/-1	2/-1	2/-1	2/-2	3/-1	3/-0	2/-1	1/-1	1/-1
Glen	2/-0	2/-1	2/-0	2/-1	4/1	4/2	2/-0	2/-1	2/-1
Freezing Level*	600m	700m	700m	600m	700m	700m	700m	700m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add

Forecast for Wednesday 23 Dec 2020
Weather: Sunny intervals and a few snow showers, even to low levels in the afternoon and evening, and more prevalent over the Northern Cairngorms across to Strathdon. Only light isolated showers in southwest of area.

Maximum wind: North or northeast 25 gusts 35mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% - lower still over higher northern slope, but 70% in southwest of area with more breaks.

Visibility: Good or very good away from cloud and showers but occasionallly moderate to poor in snow showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 Celsius falling to Plus 1.
At 800m: Minus 1 falling Minus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: 700m falling to all levels later.

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